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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2008, setting forth restriction of invention and species requirements.

In response to the restriction of invention requirement, applicant elects invention I, claims 1-19.

In response to the restriction of species requirement, applicant elects species II (FIG. 4) with traverse. Claims 1-19 are readable on elected species II. Applicant traverses the requirement and submits that FIGS. 2 and 4 (indicated by the Examiner to be, respectively, species I and II) should be considered as a single species. The sole difference between FIGS. 2 and 4 is the presence or absence of spring 70. Applicant submits that that this difference does not rise to the level of a different species, and that the subject matter of FIGS. 2 and 4 is a unified invention. Should the Examiner agree with applicant's traversal, applicant elects the species of FIGS. 2 and 4.

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